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Walking down the bygone era!

A group of schoolchildren from Dehradun embark upon some queer Heritage Walks in Delhi

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It's certainly going to be a 'Walk To Remember' for the twenty young kids from the Purkal Youth Development Society (PYDS) who are currently in Delhi walking down the bygone lanes of history as a part of their three days visit to the Walled City. In what may turn out to be a "turning point" of their intellectual faculties, the bunch of these sprightly children from classes 4 to 8 would not only grow as individuals through the three Heritage Walks- the Gandhi walk, the Mutiny Walk and the Empire walk that they are scheduled to embark upon, but would also learn a great deal about the value of freedom that we enjoy.

While the Gandhi walk would cover the places associated with Gandhiji, the Mutiny walk would explain the History of the Mutiny to the young minds and the Empire walk would cover the two Great Empires, which we were subject to before our independence.

The PYDS children, who left Dehradun on January 25, a day prior to the Republic Day, would also be attending three parades during their stint in the national capital - the Republic day Parade, Dress Rehearsal of Beating of The Retreat and PM's NCC Rally.

Interestingly, Surekha Narain, the well-known 'heritage walker' of Delhi under whom the PYDS kids would be undertaking the Walks, is planning to begin with similar heritage walks for school children in and around Dehradun. Well, till the time that transforms into reality, the PYDS kids are bound to gain on some priceless experience amidst, of course, some mirth and laughter that they would share amongst themselves.

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